

**CONFIDENTIAL**

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Interview with [redacted] Chief, China Desk, ONE

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1. [redacted] called to express his appreciation for the valuable service FBIB rendered his desk in ONE. He thought that our coverage of China was very good indeed. He requested, however, that some arrangement be made to get the AP and UP material from China to his desk faster. At the present time it is picked up by messenger from ONE but does not reach his desk promptly.

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2. In response to [redacted]'s request and due to the fact that the China situation continues to deteriorate, I directed that the following action be taken:

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a. FBIB stations covering China be instructed to give this coverage high priority and to forward their material into Washington most expeditiously.

b. A check on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week be made to insure that the time lag between picking up the AP-UP material at FBIB and delivery to [redacted] is out to an absolute minimum.

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c. Arrangements be made if possible to cut out all other recipients of the outgoing wire service for a brief period early in the morning and transmit this AP-UP material to ONE over the wire. In this connection I desire, if possible and not too expensive, to install a switchboard in the wire service room which will permit us to control all circuits from FBIB to our customers.

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